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**In the Claims**

~~Please cancel claims 10 to 56 without prejudice.~~

Please enter rewritten claim 1 as follows:

- Sub E2
1. (Twice Amended) A fusion protein comprising:
- a) a reporter polypeptide linked to a linker polypeptide comprising a protease cleavage site;  
wherein said reporter polypeptide is an enzyme, a transcriptional activator, or an antibody or active fragment thereof; and
  - b) a repressor polypeptide that represses the activity of said reporter polypeptide, wherein said repressor polypeptide is operatively linked to the linker polypeptide, and wherein cleavage of said linker polypeptide at said protease cleavage site increases the activity of said reporter.